

MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSIONERS CHAMBERS
FIRST FLOOR, COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 1999
1:30 P.M.

Commissioners Present: Linda Steinman, Chair
Kathy Campbell
Bernie Heier
Larry Hudkins

Commissioners Absent: Steve Svoboda

Others Present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer
Kandra Hahn, County Clerk
Diane Staab, Deputy County Attorney
Ann Taylor, County Clerk's Office

- 1) **MINUTES:** Approval of the minutes of the Board of Commissioners meeting held on Tuesday, December 15, 1998 and minutes of a joint meeting of the City Council and County Board also held on Tuesday, December 15, 1998. (A copy of these minutes is on file in the Office of the Lancaster County Clerk.)

MOTION: Heier moved and Campbell seconded approval of the minutes of December 15th and minutes of a joint meeting of the City Council and County Board also held on December 15th. On call Campbell, Hudkins, Heier and Steinman voted aye. Motion carried.

- 2) **CLAIMS:** Approval of all claims processed through Tuesday, January 5, 1999.

MOTION: Heier moved and Campbell seconded approval. On call Heier, Campbell, Steinman and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

- 3) **ITEMS OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

A. Presentation of the County-City Volunteer of the Month Award to Lori Koss for her services. (19982774)

The County-City Volunteer of the Month Award was presented to Lori Koss for her service with the Lincoln Jaycees in organizing Lincoln's 4th of July celebration at Holmes Lake. (19982774)

B. Presentation of the Commissioners Award of Excellence for December, 1998 to Janice Todd, an employee in the County Assessor's Office. (19982974)

The Commissioners Award of Excellence for December, 1998 was presented to Janice Todd, an employee in the County Assessor's Office. (19982974)

- C. An exceptional circumstance award for Erik Hubl, an employee in the County Assessor's Office, for a one step increase from a Grade 24 Step 6 (\$20.166) to Grade 24 Step 7 (\$21.135), effective January 14, 1999. (19982987)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval of the one step increase for Erik Hubl. On call Steinman, Heier, Campbell and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

Steinman stated that Steve Svoboda, whose service on the County Board will end, effective Wednesday, January 6th, will also be receiving a commemorative plaque recognizing his eight years of service as Lancaster County Commissioner.

4) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. An agreement with the City of Lincoln and United Way of Lincoln for funding the Community-Based Human Services Needs Assessment and Comprehensive Plan, as follows: (19982975)

Funding of Phase I (Needs Assessment)

County --- \$31,403
City --- \$31,403
United Way --- \$1,404

Funding of Phase II (Comprehensive Plan)

County --- \$27,092
City --- \$27,092
United Way --- \$27,091

In response to a question from Campbell, Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer, appeared and stated that a credit of \$20,000 is indicated for United Way of Lincoln in the agreement, as they had fully funded certain aspects of the needs assessment where use of public funds was not deemed appropriate.

MOTION: Campbell moved and Heier seconded approval. On call Hudkins, Steinman, Heier and Campbell voted aye. Motion carried.

- B. An agreement with Lincoln Electric System for construction work on Fletcher Avenue, for an estimated cost to the County of \$80,295. (Project C55-GH-403(1)) (19982996)

MOTION: Campbell moved and Heier seconded approval. On call Steinman, Campbell, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- C. An agreement with the State of Nebraska, Department of Roads for a Federal-Aid Bridge Replacement Project on North 162nd Street immediately north of Greenwood Road, at an estimated cost to the County of \$87,740. (County Bridge A171) (Project BRO-7055(98)) (19983039)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval. On call Heier, Hudkins, Campbell and Steinman voted aye. Motion carried.

- D. An agreement with Ross Engineering, Inc. for preliminary survey, design and preparation of plans for reconstruction of South 68th Street from Hickman Road to Saltillo Road, in the total amount of \$24,200. (19983040)

MOTION: Campbell moved and Heier seconded approval. On call Campbell, Steinman, Heier and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

- E. A contract with The Ambassador for physical, occupational and speech therapy services at Lancaster Manor, beginning January 1, 1999 and ending on December 31, 2001, at no cost to the County. (19983046)

MOTION: Heier moved and Campbell seconded approval. On call Heier, Steinman, Campbell and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

- F. An agreement with Douglas County for juvenile detention services, at a rate of \$130 per day, per individual. (19983050)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Campbell seconded approval. On call Steinman, Hudkins, Heier and Campbell voted aye. Motion carried.

- G. An amendment to the Public Employees Benefit Services Corporation (PEBSCO) Pension Service Agreement reducing the annual administrative charges assessed against plan assets to zero. (19983058)

MOTION: Campbell moved and Heier seconded approval. On call Campbell, Hudkins, Steinman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- H. Approval of an amendment to the Group Separate Account Annuity Contract with Nationwide Life Insurance Company and ratification of execution of the amendment by Kathy Campbell, Vice Chair of the County Board. (19983059)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval. On call Hudkins, Heier, Campbell and Steinman voted aye. Motion carried.

- I. A resolution in connection with the vacation of West Martell Road between Southwest 72nd and Southwest 86th Streets. (19983001)

Steinman read a letter received from Hugh Sieck, opposing the vacation, into the record. (19993) She noted that a letter had also been received from Alberta Crouse, a landowner whose property abuts the road, opposing the vacation due to accessibility concerns (Exhibit A).

MOTION: Campbell moved and Hudkins seconded to deny the road vacation. On call Campbell, Heier, Steinman and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

J. A resolution designating the following banks and capital stock financial institutions in the County for the deposit of County funds: (19983000)

<u>Financial Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>
Cornhusker Bank	Lincoln, Nebraska
Farmers Bank	Lincoln, Nebraska
Farmers & Merchants Bank	Panama, Nebraska
First State Bank	Hickman, Nebraska
Lancaster County Bank	Waverly, Nebraska
Martell State Bank	Martell, Nebraska
National Bank of Commerce	Lincoln, Nebraska
Norwest Banks	Lincoln, Nebraska
Pinnacle Bank	Lincoln, Nebraska
Saline State Bank/Hallam Branch	Hallam, Nebraska
Union Bank & Trust Company	Lincoln, Nebraska
US Bank	Lincoln, Nebraska
West Gate Bank	Lincoln, Nebraska

Campbell noted for the record that any financial institution indicating an interest in serving as a depository of County funds is provided that opportunity.

MOTION: Campbell moved and Heier seconded approval. On call Hudkins, Campbell, Steinman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

K. Authorization for the installation of the following traffic signs: (19983004)

- * Four "45 mile per hour" speed limit signs located south of Fletcher Avenue and south of Havelock Avenue for southbound traffic and north of Adams Street and north of Havelock Avenue for northbound traffic
- * 11 "No Outlet" signs at all stub intersections which are dead ends
- * 19 "Keep Right" signs with Type 1 Object markers mounted below at the noses of all median islands on North 84th Street, including median nose islands on Havelock Avenue, at the intersection of North 84th Street
- * A lane use control sign on Havelock Avenue west of the intersection with North 84th Street for eastbound traffic
- * A "Right Lane Must Turn Right" sign for southbound traffic in the deceleration lane for the ADM plant entrance on North 84th Street
- * Six temporary "Icy Road Not Salted" signs. One one-quarter of a mile north of Adams Street and one north of Havelock Avenue for northbound traffic. One south of Fletcher Avenue and south of Havelock Avenue for southbound traffic. On Havelock Avenue, one for eastbound and one for westbound traffic approaching the new concrete pavement near the North 84th Street intersection.
- * "Hazard" signs at a culvert on Princeton Road between South 134th Street and South 148th Street

MOTION: Campbell moved and Heier seconded approval. On call Campbell, Hudkins, Heier and Steinman voted aye. Motion carried.

L. A disbursement from the Lancaster County Leasing Corporation 1992 Construction Fund to All Makes Office Equipment Company, in the amount of \$2,670.50, for ten secretarial chairs for Lancaster Manor. (19983016)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Heier seconded approval. On call Heier, Campbell, Steinman and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

M. Recommendation from the Purchasing Agent and the County Sheriff to award five 1999 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor pursuit vehicles and two service manuals off of a State contract, for a total of \$98,239, to H.P. Smith Ford. (19983017)

MOTION: Hudkins moved and Campbell seconded approval. On call Steinman, Heier, Campbell and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

N. Recommendation from the Purchasing Agent to award the following bids off of a State contract for the Attention for Youth:

- * A 1999 mini van from Lincoln Dodge, in the amount of \$20,019.60 (19983033)
- * A 1999 passenger Ford Crown Victoria, in the amount of \$19,496 (19983034)

Kathy Smith, Assistant Purchasing Agent, appeared and noted for the record that the bid for the 1999 passenger Ford Crown Victoria was received from Atchley Ford of Omaha.

MOTION: Campbell moved and Heier seconded to approve the award of bids to Lincoln Dodge and Atchley Ford. On call Hudkins, Campbell, Steinman and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

- O. Recommendation from the Purchasing Agent to award a bid off of a State contract for three 1999 Ford Taurus' for the County Assessor's Office, in the amount of \$42,654, to Anderson Ford. (19983051)

MOTION: Campbell moved and Heier seconded approval. On call Hudkins, Steinman, Heier and Campbell voted aye. Motion carried.

- P. Approval of official bonds for Gary Lacey, County Attorney; Norman H Agena, County Assessor; Terry Wagner, County Sheriff; Richard Nuernberger, County Treasurer; Kelly Guenzel, Clerk of the District; Bruce Medcalf, County Clerk; Don Thomas, County Engineer; Dan Nolte, Register of Deeds and Larry Worrell, County Surveyor.

Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer, appeared and reported that Don Thomas, County Engineer, has been detained out-of-town, due to weather conditions, and was unable to sign the oath portion of his bond. He recommended approval of Thomas' bond, conditional upon receipt of the signed oath attached to the bond.

In response to a question from Hudkins, Eagan stated that the Board could elect to a purchase a blanket bond for all of the County officials in the future.

MOTION: Campbell moved and Hudkins seconded approval of official bonds for Gary Lacey, County Attorney; Norman H Agena, County Assessor; Terry Wagner, County Sheriff; Richard Nuernberger, County Treasurer; Kelly Guenzel, Clerk of the District; Bruce Medcalf, County Clerk; Dan Nolte, Register of Deeds and Larry Worrell, County Surveyor and approval of the official bond for Don Thomas, County Engineer, subject to receipt of the signed oath attached to the bond. On call Steinman, Campbell, Hudkins and Heier voted aye. Motion carried.

5) **CONSENT ITEMS:** These are items of business before the Lancaster County Board of Commissioners which have been previously supplied to each Commissioner in writing, which are relatively routine and which are expected to be adopted without dissent. Any individual item may be removed for special discussion and consideration by a Commissioner or by any member of the public without prior notice. Unless there is an exception, these items will be approved as one with a single vote of the Board of Commissioners. These items are approval of:

- A. Setting of a public hearing for Tuesday, January 12, 1999 at 1:30 p.m. in the County Commissioners/City Council Chambers on the first floor of the County-City Building regarding a request from Star City Hockey, LLC for an addition to licensed premises to expand its existing liquor license to add a two story area on the north end of the Coliseum located at State Fair Park. (19983023)
- B. Setting of a public hearing for Tuesday, January 19, 1999 at 1:30 p.m. in the County Commissioners/City Council Chambers on the first floor of the County-City Building for Comprehensive Plan Conformance, requested by the Lower Platte South Natural Resources District, for acquisition of permanent conservation easements over three privately owned parcels to protect natural resources including native prairie near the intersection of Highway 77 and Hickman Road. (Comprehensive Plan Conformity 98007) (19983022)
- C. A contract with Stephens & Smith Construction Company, Inc. for concrete services in connection with floor reconstruction at the Corrections facility, in the amount of \$4,543. (19983045)
- D. Contracts relating to road improvements with the following:

<u>Landowner</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Duck Ranch Partnership (3 contracts) (19982991-19982993)	On West Davey Road near Northwest 33 rd Street	\$6,188.75
Robert D and Victoria L Rokeby (2 contracts) (19982994-19982995)	On North 1 st Street near West McKelvie Road	\$2,699
National Bank of Commerce, Trustee (2 contracts) (19983060-3061)	Near North 70 th Street and Raymond Road	\$689.74

Larry M and Jeraldine Brainard (19983062)	On Fletcher Avenue near North 98 th Street	\$237.50
Dee E Stoval (19983063)	On North 162 nd Street near Holdrege Street	\$120

MOTION: Campbell moved and Heier seconded approval of the Consent Items. On call Heier, Hudkins, Campbell and Steinman voted aye. Motion carried.

6) **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a meeting on Tuesday, January 5, 1999 at 10 a.m. in the conference room located immediately west of the County Commissioners Chambers, Room 113, on the first floor of the County-City Building.
- B. Newly elected County officials will be sworn in on Thursday, January 7, 1999 at 9 a.m. in the County Commissioners/City Council Chambers, Room 112, on the first floor of the County-City Building. A reception will be held immediately after in the conference room.
- C. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners will hold a meeting on Thursday, January 7, 1999 at 8 a.m. in the conference room located immediately west of the County Commissioners Chambers, Room 113, on the first floor of the County-City Building.
- D. The Lancaster County Board of Commissioners meeting which is broadcast live at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesdays will be rebroadcast at 6:30 p.m. on Cablevision Channel 5.

7) **EMERGENCY ITEMS AND OTHER BUSINESS:**

Steinman thanked the County officials that will be leaving office for their public service.

Kandra Hahn, Lancaster County Clerk, thanked the citizens of Lancaster County for the opportunity to serve as County Clerk.

John Austin, citizen, appeared and noted concerns regarding the following:

- * County Court Judge Gale Pokorny
- * Denial of medical care while serving in the Lancaster County Correctional facility
- * A weeds assessment he received from the City of Lincoln

8) **PENDING:**

- A. Comprehensive Plan Amendment No. 27b, 1998 Comprehensive Plan Annual Review, requested by Peter Katt for Steve Champoux, to revise the Land Use Plan to change 124 acres from Agricultural to Low Density Residential at the northwest corner of 134th and "A" Streets in Lancaster County, Nebraska. (1998937) (Scheduled for further discussion on May 18, 1999.)
- B. A County Change of Zone, from AG Agricultural to AGR Agricultural Residential, requested by Peter Katt for Steve Champoux, on property at the northwest corner of 134th and "A" Streets in Lancaster County, Nebraska. (County Change of Zone 147) (1998938) (Scheduled for further discussion on May 18, 1999.)

9) **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOTION: Campbell moved and Hudkins seconded to adjourn the meeting. On call Heier, Steinman, Campbell and Hudkins voted aye. Motion carried.

Kandra Hahn
Lancaster County Clerk